

## IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A coating device by means of which a water-soluble compound is applied to at least parts of an edge of a moving elongated workpiece (4), ~~characterised in that~~ wherein said device comprises at least one device (1) for applying a compound and at least two separate NIR drier (2) arranged thereafter in the direction of movement of the workpiece.
2. (Currently Amended) The coating device according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the NIR driers (2) can be aligned, preferably can be adjusted in height and/or tilted.
3. (Currently Amended) The coating device according to ~~claim 1 or claim 2, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the NIR driers (2) can be regulated depending on the application medium and/or the transport speed.
4. (Currently Amended) The coating device according to ~~any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein it comprises cooling plates (3).

5. (Currently Amended) The coating device according to ~~any one of~~  
~~the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the  
device (1) comprises an application nozzle and a suction nozzle.